MONTANA FISH, WILDLIFE & PARKS

INTERN PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

EMPLOYER: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

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DATE OF ANNOUNCEMENT: Tuesday, January 21, 2014

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, March 7, 2014 at 5:00 PM (postmarked)

STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE

POSITION TITLE: Bitterroot Drainage Summer Intern # **OF POSITIONS:** 1

LOCATION(S): Hamilton or thereabouts, Bitterroot River Drainage

WORK START/END DATES: June 23, 2014-August 15, 2014 HOURS/WEEK: 40

TRAINING/ORIENTATION DATES: June 23, 2014

COMPENSATION (PAY, PER DIEM, HOUSING, VEHICLE, ETC: \$10.50/hr

POSITION DESCRIPTION: :

The fisheries intern in the Bitterroot Drainage will primarily assist in collecting data on fish populations in tributaries of the Bitterroot River and some lakes in the area. The selected intern will assist a FWP crew during electrofishing of westslope cutthroat and bull trout in established study reaches of the Bitterroot National Forest. The intern will also help collect data from high mountain lakes if conditions allow. Other responsibilities include helping survey for trout mortality in the Bitterroot River, watering a willow/soil lift project on the Bitterroot River, and working with Bitterroot National Forest crews in riparian fence maintenance and installing water temperature recorders.

SKILLS, ABILITIES, KNOWLEDGE NEEDED (EDUCATION; UNDERGRAD/GRAD LEVEL, SUGGESTED/REQUIRED MAJORS):

Must be currently enrolled in a college or university. Housing will not be provided but candidate will likely be able to stay at a Forest Service bunkhouse (dormlike rooms) that charges a minimal fee. A minimum GPA of 3.00 is required in majors such as Biology, Fish and Wildlife, Outdoor Recreation, or Environmental Science/Studies. The person hired must be in good physical shape and be able to hike 5 miles per day and carry equipment including, but not limited to a 40+ lb. backpack, generators and other heavy objects. Most work will be performed outside and often in remote places. Incumbent must be comfortable working outdoors and knowledge of camping and backpacking are valuable. Person must have a valid drivers license. Person must also be comfortable communicating with private landowners and the public.

<u>APPLICATION MATERIALS/PROCEDURES (RESUME, COVER LETTER, REFERENCES, ETC.)</u>:

Recent transcripts, letter of application (include the following in the letter: why you would like this position and how it relates to your career goals and how you are physically prepared for strenuous outdoor work), two letters of reference, and a brief resume.

COOPERATING SPONSORS OF PROJECT:

Intern will also work in the field with Bitterroot National Forest personnel

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: (;HOUSING OF ANY KIND PROVIDED OR POSSIBLY AVAILABLE I.E. TRAILER, FREE CAMP SPOT, BASEMENT APARTMENT, EXTRA SLEEPING ROOM, ETC.) The rewards are great for the student who is capable of successfully filling this position, but the job is physically challenging. This is an excellent summer opportunity for someone majoring in Fish and Wildlife Management or related field and for those desiring college credits as an internship, individual problems project, or independent study. It is also suitable for teachers pursuing college credit for re-certification, although they must arrange for the credits themselves.